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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 32,739; Week ago 28,561; Year ago 33,373 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
365 lbs.	139.21	366 lbs.	124.63	356 lbs.	117.20
457 lbs.	129.22	457 lbs.	120.40	469 lbs.	102.89
546 lbs.	121.93	546 lbs.	112.69	565 lbs.	95.74
634 lbs.	119.37	642 lbs.	111.37	642 lbs.	93.86
735 lbs.	116.85	723 lbs.	108.31	758 lbs.	87.95
855 lbs.	108.27	831 lbs.	101.31	834 lbs.	85.97
951 lbs.	104.46			946 lbs.	83.75

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts 7343; Week ago 4772; Year ago 6794

Compared to last week steers under 600 lbs steady to 5.00 higher, heifers under 600 lbs steady to 2.00 higher, steers and heifers over 600 lbs fully steady. Slaughter Cows uneven 1.00 lower to 1.00 higher.

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STEERS:		HEIFERS:		
Medium an	d Large 1	Medium a	nd Large 1	
300-400 lbs.	133.00-141.00	350-400 lbs.	110.00-126.00	
400-500 lbs.	119.00-138.00	400-500 lbs.	108.00-118.00	
500-600 lbs.	114.00-128.00	500-600 lbs.	106.00-117.50	
600-700 lbs.	110.00-119.00	600-700 lbs.	100.00-112.00	
700-800 lbs.	110.00-117.50	Pkg 751 lbs.	105.50	
800-900 lbs.	102.50-110.00	Pkg 810 lbs.	101.75	
Large 3 Holsteins Pkg. 491 lbs. 102.00 Pkg 586 lbs. 95.00 600-700 lbs. 91.00-92.50 Pkg 798 lbs. 85.00 Lot 821 lbs. 85.00		SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 46.00-54.00, high dressing 51.50-59.50. Lean (85-90%) 45.50-49.00, low dressing 38.00-45.50.		
<u>SLAUGHTER BULLS:</u> Yield Grade 1-2, 1465-2065 lbs., 60.00-68.00, high dressing 68.50-71.00, low dressing 58.00-62.00.		REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs, 945-1290 lbs, 2nd and 3rd stage, 730.00-865.00 per head.		
COW & CALF PA	COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium			

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and Large 1-2, 4 yrs to ss 975-

1300 lbs with baby to 225 lb calves 850.00-950.00 per pair.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 7975, week ago 6580, year ago 9053 Cow and Bull Receipts 950; week ago 1270; year ago 2849 Dairy Cattle Receipts 1347; Norwood 10/14/04

Compared to last week steer and heifer under 600 steady to 3.00 higher, over 600 lbs. mostly steady. Slaughter cows 1.00 higher, bulls sold steady.

<u>STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		<u>HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1		
	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	120.00-129.00 111.00-128.00 108.00-120.00 113.50-118.50	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	Scarce 110.00-124.00 100.00-116.00 10000-112.00 100.50-110.00
	800-900 lbs. 900-1000 lbs	104.00-111.00 101.00-103.25	=	Scarce

Large Frame 3					
200-300 lbs.	Scarce				
300-400 lbs.	116.00-123.00				
400-500 lbs.	99.00-108.00				
500-600 lbs.	91.00-101.50				
600-700 lbs.	90.00-97.00				
700-800 lbs.	91.50-92.50				
800-900 lbs.	85.00-86.50				
900-1000 lbs.	81.50-84.75				

HOLSTEINS:

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 950-1300 lbs, 2 to 7 yrs, 1st and 2nd stage, 690.00-925.00 per head.

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 900-1300 lbs. with 100-350 lb calves, some rebred 1025.00-1275.00 per pair.

Dairy Cattle Sales

Springer Heifers: Supreme 1700.00-1825.00, Approved 1500.00-1675.00, Bred Heifers 4 to 6 months Supreme 1650.00-1850.00, Approved 1400.00-1600.00. Open Heifers; Approved 700-800 lbs 1025.00-1325.00, 600-700 lbs 900.00-1150.00, 500-600 lbs 900.00-1020.00, Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 300.00-480.00. Bulls 145.00-185.00

<u>SLAUGHTER COWS:</u> Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 50.00-56.00, high dressing 56.00-57.75, Lean (85-90%) 46.00-51.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1375-2350 lbs., 66.75-71.50, high dressing 72.00-73.00, low dressing or fleshy 63.50-66.50.

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 11,372; Week ago 9146; Year ago 9683 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 1.00 higher. Sows steady to 1.00 higher.

BARROWS AND GILTS:

Base carcass meat prices 64.00-

Weekly top price Friday 65.00

<u>SOWS:</u>

300-500 lbs 37.00-41.00 Over 500 lbs 42.00-44.00.

WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Kingsville and Sedalia)

Receipts 3289; Week ago 2618; Year ago 3558 Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady to 4.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls were 1.00 to 3.00 higher.

Medium at 300-400 lbs 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	ER STEERS: nd Large 1& 1-2 132.00-153.50 124.00-140.50 119.00-134.00	Medium an 300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	R HEIFERS: d Large 1 & 1-2 122.00-138.00 115.00-135.00 109.00-124.75
600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	114.00-131.25 109.00-122.75 105.00-112.00		108.00-116.00 102.50-112.75 103.00
	earge 1-2, 2 yrs to os, 2nd-3rd stage,	and Boning (70	COWS: Breaking 0-85% lean) 49.25- ssing 53.75-60.50, 48.50-51.75.
			BULLS: 2, 1260-2465 lbs. gh dressing 71.00-
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EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, and Boonville) Receipts 4002; Week ago 5055; Year ago; 4698

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 1 & 1-2		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 & 1-2		
350-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	135.00-150.00 120.00-138.50 115.00-138.50 115.00-137.00 111.00-126.50 103.50-114.50	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-775 lbs.	125.00-135.00 110.00-129.00 105.50-120.00 104.00-117.00 100.00-107.00	
SLAUGHTER STEERS: Hi Select to mostly Choice 2-4, 81.50-84.50.		SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking, Boning, and Lean (70-90% lean) 44.00-54.00, high dressing 51.50- 58.50, low dressing 34.00-44.00		
Few Select and Choice 2-4, 81.00-84.10.		SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1250- 66.25, high dress low dressing 56.25	-2450 lbs, 60.25- sing 71.00-75.00,	

NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, New Cambria, and Green City)
Feeder Cattle Receipts 2194; Week ago 3993; Year ago 1060
Slaughter Cattle Receipts 135; Week ago 41; Year ago 287 Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers steady. Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower. Slaughter steers and heifers 1.00-1.50 higher.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1-2		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1 & 1-2		
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-850 lbs. 900-950 lbs.	132.00-145.50 125.00-145.00 115.00-127.50 116.25-131.50 117.75-128.50 111.50-116.00 scarce	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-850 lbs.	118.00-136.00 111.00-127.50 106.00-119.50 110.50-116.50 103.00-120.00 97.75-105.25	
SLAUGHTER ST 2-3, 1100-1450 lbs		SLAUGHTER C and Boning (70-5 54.25, low dressi	85% lean) 50.00-	
SLAUGHTER HE 2-3, 1000-1300 lbs		SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1450- 70.25.		

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Patton Junction and Fruitland)

Receipts 1912; Week ago 1835; Year ago 2455

Compared to last week, steers and heifers steady to 2.00 higher. Slaughter Cows 2.00 lower and Bulls 1.00 higher.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1-2		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1-2		
250-300 lbs 300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. Pkg 828 lbs.	Scarce 121.00-144.00 110.00-135.00 109.00-120.00 105.50-118.00 100.00-112.75 96.50	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs.	122.00-133.00 115.00-128.00 108.00-118.00 98.00-117.00 97.00-109.00 91.00-95.00	
REPLACEMEN	T COWS: ge 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs 2nd to 3rd stage	and Boning (70-	COWS: Breaking 85% lean) 45.50- sing 50.50-56.00, 34.50-43.50.	
COW & CALF I and Large 1-2, 2 1390 lbs., with 1 840.00-1000.00.		SLAUGHTER F Grade 1-2, 1445 66.50, high dress	-2095 lbs 55.00-	

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba and Vienna)

Receipts 5110; Week ago 3399; Year ago 4990

Compared to last week steers and heifers steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower.

<u>FEEDER STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1		FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	135.00-143.00 123.50-137.00 114.00-128.25 113.50-129.50 110.00-114.00	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-715 lbs.	122.50-123.50 110.00-128.00 108.00-117.50 106.50-113.50 102.75
REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 4 to 9 yrs, 1050-1400 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 905.00-1065.00 per head.		and Boning (70-53.00, high dress	COWS: Breaking 85% lean) 46.00- sing 52.00-58.00, 14.00-50.00, low 4.00.
COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce.		<u>SLAUGHTER BULLS:</u> Yield Grade 1-2, 1400-2300 lbs, 61.00-68.00, high dressing 71.50-72.25 low dressing 54.00-60.00.	

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts 1200; Week ago 1200; Year ago 800 Compared to last week, trade slow to moderate. Live sales and dressed sales on a grid basis 1.00-2.00 higher. Demand and seller interest moderate.

STEERS: 60-70% Choice 1200-	STEERS AND HEIFERS:
1300 lbs 85.50-86.00.	Carcass sales: No Sales

HEIFERS: No Sales **GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):** Choice 3 550-950 lbs 134.00-135.00, few 140.00, Select 3 550-950 lbs few 130.00-131.00.

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 12,871 (FOB 2,614 Delivered 10,257).

Compared to last week, weaner pigs and feeder pigs 2.00 higher. Demand good, Supply moderate.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights.

Fob the farm, 0% negotiated.

2,614 head 10 lbs 31.86-34.10 weighted average 10 lbs 32.95.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights. (5,660 Ark to NEB, IA) Delivered, 34% negotiated.

9,047 head 32.75-37.00 weighted average 10 lbs 35.30.

5,017 head 52.75 57.00 weighted a verage 10 100 55.50.

Feeder pigs in all lot sizes. Delivered 100% negotiated. 1210 head 40-50 lbs 52.25-60.00 weighted average 47.9 lbs at 58.40

MIDWEST SHEEP REVIEW

Slaughter Receipts

This week 54,000; Week ago 52,000; Year ago 55,000

Slaughter Lambs steady
Slaughter Ewes steady to 3.00
lower.

Feeder Lambs steady

Slaughter Ewes: Utility and Good
1-3 35.00-42.00, Cull 1 25.0035.00.

<u>Slaughter Lambs</u>: Choice and Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs shorn 83.00-85.00, wooled 81.00-83.00.

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2 60-80 lbs 100.00-110.00, 80-100 lbs 90.00-100.00.

WEEKLY HAY SUMMARY

After the past week of up and down temperatures and some moisture, the pastures and fields have turned green once again. Any corn and bean harvest left has been pretty much put to a stop for a while. It continues to be a real problem trying to find high quality hay this year. Some farmers are having to watch closely at the beef quality hay for sale this year, as much of it got wet and unless balers were paying close attention a lot of bales have mold in them. Newly planted alfalfa is also suffering from an attack of army worms in areas in the southeast part of the state. Prices are steady this week. Movement is mostly moderate, and supply is heavy. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for both buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429) (All prices per ton unless specified and most reflect delivered prices) Supreme quality Alfalfa(RFV>185) 100.00-140.00 Premium quality Alfalfa(RFV170-180) 80.00-110.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa(RFV130-170) Round bales 30.00-80.00 Small, Big squares and baleage (dry weight) 70.00-100.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 2.50-3.00 per bale 30.00-45.00 per large round bale Fair to good quality Prairie hay 50.00-75.00 Good quality Brome 50.00-85.00 Fair quality Brome some mixed with grass small round bales 10.00-20.00 per bale Good quality Timothy Hay 2.50-3.50 per small square bale Good quality Red Clover hay 25.00-50.00 Good quality Mixed Grass hay 20.00-35.00 per round bale 1.25 to 2.50 per small square Fair quality large round bales Fescue 10.00-20.00 per bale Wheat hay 40.00-60.00 Wheat straw 1.50-3.00 per small square bale

Oregon County Goat and Sheep Market (Koshkonong)

Receipts: 237

<u>Slaughter Kids</u>: Selection 1, 40-60 lbs.—120.00; Selection 1 & 2, 60-80 lbs.—105.00, 80-100 lbs.—85.00; Selection 2, 40-60 lbs.—115.00; Selection 2 to mostly 3, 40-60 lbs.—85.00, 60-80 lbs.—80.00, 80-100 lbs.—70.00 <u>Slaughter Bucks</u>: 80-100 lbs.—65.00

All prices per cwt

WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

	<u>CATTLE</u>	<u>HOGS</u>	<u>SHEEP</u>
Week to date	641,000	2,167,000	54,000
Last week	631,000	2,156,000	52,000
Last Year	657,000	2,096,000	55,000
2004 yr. to date	26,388,000	82,098,000	2,167,000
2003 yr. to date	29,245,000	79,832,000	2,279,000

MIDWEST EGG REVIEW

Large, Medium and Small steady. IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN: Prices paid to producers. (cents per dz.) Large .22-.29, Medium .07-.11, Small .02-.04.

By-Product Feed Prices

Soy Hulls Mexico, MO 70.00, Alfalfa Pellets 17% St Louis, MO 115.00, Distillers Grain dried, Macon, MO 82.00, Corn Gluten Feed pelleted, Decatur, II 53.00, Brewers Grain pressed 70% moisture, St Louis, MO 33.00. Prices per ton.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .03 to .31 lower, Wheat .14 to .22 lower, Corn .07 to .09 lower, KC Wheat .10 to .12 lower, Soybean Meal 3.60 to 4.00 higher. (All price trends approximate ranges).

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Soybeans Nov Jan Mar May Jul	514 3/4 520 1/4 526 1/4 532 1/4 537 1/2	527 3/4 532 1/4 537 3/4 543 1/4 549	532 1/2 534 3/4 538 3/4 544 1/4 549 1/2	528 531 536 541 3/4 547 3/4	530 532 536 1/2 544 3/4 551
Wheat Dec Mar May Jul Sep	314 3/4 326 1/2 330 1/2 333 1/2 339 1/2	319 1/4 329 3/4 334 337 3/4 343 1/4	313 1/2 325 329 3/4 332 1/4 338	311 3/4 322 326 3/4 3293/4 336 1/2	308 1/2 318 3/4 322 3/4 326 332 1/2
Corn Dec Mar May Jul Sep	204 214 1/2 221 3/4 228 1/4 235 1/4	207 217 224 230 1/4 236 3/4	206 216 1/2 223 1/4 229 1/2 235 3/4	204 1/4 215 222 1/4 228 1/2 235	201 3/4 212 1/4 220 226 1/4 233
KC Wheat Dec Mar May Jul Sep	344 349 1/2 351 1/2 347 353	346 1/4 352 354 349 1/2 353	340 3/4 346 1/4 349 1/2 345 1/2 350	336 3/4 343 3/4 346 344 348	336 342 1/2 344 1/4 339 1/2 345 1/4
SB Meal Dec Jan Mar May Jul	154.10 155.20 157.20 159.50 162.00	156.80 158.10 160.30 162.50 164.80	158.40 159.80 151.40 163.00 165.50	158.50 159.70 161.40 163.00 165.70	156.40 157.70 160.10 161.90 164.80

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .02 to .83 higher, except Apr .48 lower, Lean Hogs uneven nearby .07-.65 lower, others .22 higher, Pork Bellies uneven .05 to 3.00 lower, Feeder Cattle nearby .10 lower others .02 to .38 higher.

Daily Futures Closes

Daily Futures Closes							
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.		
Cattle Oct Dec Feb Apr Jun	87.62 89.05 90.55 88.00 84.10	87.85 89.05 90.57 87.82 84.15	86.50 87.00 89.02 86.82 83.37	86.70 87.00 89.17 86.57 83.20	87.75 88.02 90.10 87.37 83.87		
Lean Hogs Oct Dec Feb Apr May	65.10 65.50 63.45 63.92 68.47	66.50 66.90 64.65 65.15 69.80	65.90 66.00 64.17 64.95 69.17	67.15 67.37 65.05 65.77 69.85	66.20 66.80 65.07 65.62 69.87		
Prk Bel Feb Mar May Jul Aug	94.25 93.70 95.70 100.50 94.95	94.52 94.00 95.80 97.90 94.90	92.80 92.80 94.25 97.20 94.85	94.42 94.00 95.00 97.90 94.90	94.02 93.80 95.00 97.90 94.90		
Fdr Cat Oct Nov Jan Mar Apr	113.77 112.27 109.32 104.50 103.60	113.40 112.30 109.70 104.90 103.90	112.25 110.60 108.20 103.80 102.75	111.92 109.95 107.50 103.35 102.55	113.20 111.42 108.82 104.45 103.40		
Milk Oct Nov Dec	14.18 13.15 12.53	14.18 13.30 12.54	14.19 13.62 12.64	14.19 13.89 12.93	14.19 14.05 13.15		

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .14 to .25 higher Wheat .12 to .15 lower Corn .03 to .11 lower Grain Sorghum .20 lower to .40 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum	
Kansas City Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	4.90 5.03 5.08 5.03 5.03	3.29 3.31 3.26 3.22 3.22	1.74 1.77 1.76 1.74	3.17 3.25 3.23 3.20-3.29 3.20-3.29	
St. Louis Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	5.22-5.27 5.42 5.49-5.50 5.39-5.46 5.35-5.46	3.53 3.59 3.54 3.47 3.42	2.03-2.04 2.08 2.08-2.09 2.01-2.02 1.94-1.95	3.55 3.60 3.62 3.53 3.41	
Central Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	4.75-4.78 4.88-4.93 4.88-4.93 4.90-4.95	3.02-3.03 3.06-3.07 3.01-3.06 2.99-3.00 2.96-2.97	1.65-1.67 1.68-1.73 1.68-1.72 1.65-1.70 1.63-1.68	2.62 2.67 2.66 2.62 2.58	
S.E. MO Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	5.16-5.23 5.31-5.36 5.38-5.46 5.34-5.43 5.36-5.46	3.35-3.39 3.39-3.50 3.35-3.40 3.34-3.37 3.30-3.38	1.92-1.98 1.96-2.04 1.96-2.06 1.94-2.04 1.91-1.95	3.37-3.51 3.48-3.57 3.46-3.67 3.48-3.64 3.33-3.60	

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT) *NEW CROP

Northeast Missouri Delivered Saw Logs *								
Doyle Scale			cttnwd	per log	sft mpl	per log	sycmr	per log
	Length	DIB***	avg.	avg.	avg.	avg.	avg.	avg.
	ft.	in.	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/ MBF
grade saw	10	12	171.30	6.85	185.00	7.40	174.50	6.98
logs****	10	16	188.30	16.95	391.20	35.21	208.00	18.72
	10	20	198.95	31.83	455.20	72.83	235.25	37.64
	8	16	172.30	12.41	357.40	25.73	195.00	14.04
below grade logs								
Ties	10	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
blocking	8	12	181.25	5.80	183.45	5.87	179.50	5.74
pallet	8	12	180.15	5.76	180.15	5.76	179.50	5.74

*This is a <u>delivered</u> log report. It <u>does not</u> represent or imply prices paid for standing timber on your land. Values of standing timber can vary significantly from delivered due to the following: proximity to solid roads and saw mills, size of offering and proximity to other offerings, land terrain, prevailing conditions, quality, size, density, and species of timber.

Definitions:

** **DIB** = diameter inside bark at small end

*** MBF = 1,000 board feet

**** Weighted Average = value of logs at the weighted average board foot price figured at Doyle Scale

Logs = The prices in this report are for logs that are classified as U.S. Foresty grade one logs and more specifically described by the DIB and length in the report, as well as by:

 three sides clear • both ends solid • determined to be sound and of good quality by buyer

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To realize the most from the sale of timber, it is recommended to seek the advice of a professional forester. For more information call 1-800-328-1165.